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Don't Delay BUYING WINTER UNDER- WEAR AND HOSIERY.

You will find now all sizes in the "Munsing" and
"Merode" Undergarments and "Onyx" Hosiery at

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Farmers Will Have Four Years More of the Full Pocketbook.

Never was there a better time to invest in farm property than at this time. Farmers have received better prices in the past four years than for a long time and surely the prospect is good for the coming four years. Read our Ad. and if we are not offering what you want write to the office or call.

STOCK FARM in Worcester, Vt. Located on river road and is a river farm. Is called the best farm in that town. Contains 270 acres, 50 of this is woodland, mostly hardwood, about 50 is meadow now, and in high state cultivation, balance is pasture. The place will keep 30 cows, young stock and team, buildings are in good condition and large, house contains 19 conveniently arranged rooms, barns of modern structure. We would trade this place for city property in Montpelier if property is desirable. Our price is \$4200.

TWO FARMS owned by S. H. King, located in the town of Plymouth, on the road from Ludlow to Woodstock, one mile from the Tyson P. O. and six miles to the Ludlow R. R. station. These farms join; one contains 130 acres, 80 acres timber, spruce, pine and hardwood; about 400 sugar trees; about 50 acres are tillage and 60 pasture; 125 young grafted apple trees. Place will keep about 20 cows with team. Buildings are in good condition. Price for this farm alone, \$1200. The other farm, joining it, contains 105 acres, about equally divided. This place will keep 15 cows and team. The barns are very good but the house is not so good. Price of this farm is \$550. Terms \$300 down. These farms are only about 10 minutes' walk from school and on good road, about one mile from Echo lake. Sold together the price will be \$1600. They are so located that they can be easily carried on together.

HOUSE, BLACKSMITH-SHOP and about two acres of land in Roxbury, Vt., near Heath & Rice mill, where about thirty men are employed winter. Price \$250. Terms, \$50 down, balance in easy payments. This place rents for \$24 a year.

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IMPORTANT TO INVESTORS —AND— Consumers of Gas and Electricity.

OPPORTUNITY PLANTS

Is now offered to the public to subscribe to a Limited Amount of Treasury Stock of the

Incandescent Gas Light Co.,
FOUNDATIONAL PATENTS.
(BURROWS SYSTEM.)

AT \$2 PER SHARE.

Now paying 1 per cent monthly cash dividends and extra stock dividend in sub-companies. The price of this stock will be advanced to \$2.25 per share Dec. 15th, and applications for stock will be accepted in order received. Burrows light is another Telephone and Welsbach industrial and bound to be a liberal dividend payer. The Burrows System of lighting is the best and cheapest on the market today, using 10 per cent city gas and 90 per cent air, producing 1000 candle power light for one cent per hour.

Greatly Excited

Are the people of Marshfield and Cabot, over guarantee given by dealers in

London Hospital Cough Syrup,

The great remedy for Coughs, Colds, all Throat and Lung affections.

For sale and guaranteed by E. W. Gilman, Marshfield; E. F. Leavitt, Plainfield; S. C. Woodry, Cabot; C. H. Dana, Woodbury; D. S. Folsom, Waits River; G. S. Pray, North Montpelier; G. C. Hatch, Lower Cabot; Burnham & Benjamin, South Woodbury.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Waterbury National Bank, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, will be held at said bank in Waterbury on Tuesday, January 9th, 1901, at 10:45 A. M.

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Business More Mention

Highest cash prices paid for hides, skins and pelts. Prime beef hides now 7c per lb. Peck Brothers, 60 Main street, Montpelier.

BOOK WORK ON CHURCHES. Wanted at once. Suitable size for a furnace. Taken in exchange for subscriptions. Apply at WATCHMAN office.

Mantles and Chimneys for incandescent, gas and gasoline burners at Peck Brothers, 60 Main street, Montpelier, Vt.

EIGHTY YEARS OLD—CATARRH FIFTY YEARS. Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder cures him. Want any stronger evidence of the power of this medicine? Write to the author of this universal disease? Want the truth of the case confirmed? Write George Lewis, Shamokin, Pa. He says: "I look upon my cure as a miracle." It relieves in ten minutes.—45

Book Notices.

ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING'S COMPLETE WORKS.—(Coxhead Edition.) Edited by Charlotte Porter and Helen A. Clarke. Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York. Vols. Sold only in sets, 42 in. \$4.50. This edition, in six small volumes, resembles very closely in appearance, in typography and in general editorial plan, the edition of the works of Robert Browning, each volume being a separate volume, and is, in fact, the same publisher's plan, which has been taken into account in the very best edition of Browning for the student, which has yet been published. The work of Mrs. Browning has been arranged and presented with kindred thoroughness and intelligence by Miss Porter and Miss Clarke, the editors of the edition of Robert Browning, each volume contains not only the notes necessary to the full elucidation of the text, but also a critical introduction which relates the work of the poet to the life and times of the poet, and between this introduction, the notes, and the biographical introduction, the student is furnished with a complete critical apparatus. The volume is very attractively made and attractive to the hand. The edition leaves nothing to be desired.

SNOW-WHITE; OR THE HOUSE IN THE WOOD. By Laura E. Richards. Dana Estes & Co., Boston. 127 in. 33 pages. 50 cents. A beautiful story of a little girl who runs away into a fairy world and finds a new fairy tale which makes a true one.

FORELIFE'S BOOK FOR GOLFERS. A richly illustrated book, carefully printed on heavy paper, dealing exclusively with the game of Golf in its amusing and sentimental aspects. Drawings by Gibson, Hanna, Gil, Bert, Richards, Blackfield, Hunt, and others. Cover design by Gibson. Price \$2. Half Portion. Fifteen short stories by the clearest of Life's writers, profusely illustrated and handsomely printed. Price \$1.25. A beautiful story of a little girl who runs away into a fairy world and finds a new fairy tale which makes a true one.

Cures croup, sore throat, pulmonary troubles.—Monarch ointment of every sort. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil.

EXAMINATION OF THE NATIONAL LIFE.

Completed by the Minnesota Department of Insurance.

Commissioner J. A. O'Shaughnessy of the Insurance Department of the State of Minnesota has just completed a thorough and critical examination of the condition and affairs of the National Life Insurance Company of Montpelier, Vt. This examination, covering every detail of the large business done by the company, required five months for its completion and is the first examination of the company, made by an outside Department, in its history of fifty years. The company, it is understood, is in excellent financial condition, and the report of the examination is a credit to the company and to the State of Minnesota.

The report of the examiners shows that the company has, under the methods of accounting and valuation adopted by the department, total admitted assets of \$17,571,386.43, total liabilities on policyholders' account of \$10,109,000.98, and a total surplus and undistributed profits, over all liabilities, of \$7,462,385.45, a most satisfactory condition.

The business in force, as of December 31, 1899, distributed through thirty-one States, was found to equal \$4,116 policies, representing \$390,890,027 of insurance.

This critical examination merely serves to sustain the old reputation of the National for perfect solvency and for efficient life insurance work. Up to December 1, 1900, this company has issued \$14,733,326.00 of new insurance and bids fair to complete the most prosperous year in its history.

In course of the examination, the records of the company for the year 1899 were checked up. They amounted, together, to over seven millions of transactions in a single year, but no change was made in these accounts, everything being found in proper shape. The company is congratulated upon its mortality experience, as demonstrating a conservative and careful selection of risks. The account of surrendered policies was found wholly free from discrimination, while death claims are reported as being promptly paid and in full. All the records of the company were found in excellent shape. The company is efficiently managed with regard to the interests of policyholders.

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Approximately as follows:
For a distance of
5 Miles or less, 10 cents
5 Miles to 15 Miles, 15 cents
15 Miles to 25 Miles, 20 cents
Rates for greater distances in proportion.

TELEPHONE SERVICE AT YOUR RESIDENCE

Is useful always,
Is useful often,
Necessary sometimes, and
Cheap all the year round.

NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

WANTED.—Will pay cash for any quantity of
"DRIED GINSENG ROOT."
We pay express on lots between 5 and 10 pounds. Over 10 pounds we pay freight. Be sure that it's dry.

W. J. HENDERSON, Burlington, Vt.

RUDDEN DEATHS ON THE INCREASE.

People apparently well and happy today, tomorrow are stricken down, and in ninety-nine cases out of every hundred the heart is the cause. The king of heart remedies, Dr. Agnew's Cure for the heart is within reach of all. It relieves in 30 minutes and cures most chronic cases.—46

MONTPELIER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Dr. C. E. Chandler is visiting in New York city for ten days.

T. S. Brophy left Monday for a few days' business trip to Boston.

Marcella, the little daughter of C. H. Alexander, is ill with tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. George P. Barber of Burlington spent Sunday in town.

J. H. Emerson, representing the Mutual Life of New York, is with F. H. Fuffer for a time.

Fred Dunsmore of Gouldsville is employed as clerk in the Montpelier book store.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith were in Bradford over Sunday visiting Mrs. Smith's parents.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Burr have returned from spending Thanksgiving with relatives at Post Mills.

Judge and Mrs. Hiram Carleton are to break up housekeeping and take rooms at the Riverside.

The Baptist Ladies Aid society is to give a chicken supper in the church vestry on Wednesday evening.

Thomas Marvin and F. A. Sherburne have sold to C. H. Cross a house and lot on First Avenue for \$1,600.

Mrs. Augusta Prevost, who resides with Mrs. G. O. Jenkins in the Mercantile company, was in town over Sunday.

The marriage of Clyde Templeton and Miss Anna Mayo is announced to occur about the middle of this month.

Fred G. Barrows of Burlington, State representative at the annual meeting of the Geo. W. Kidder is confined to the house with a fractured hip, sustained the other day by falling on the sidewalk on Elm street.

Montpelier Council, Knights of Columbus, will hold their annual meeting on Monday evening at the State House.

The foundation for the annual ash mountain on Haymarket Square has been laid and the pile is daily growing in proportion.

Miss Mabel Ingalls after having spent her vacation at home, returned this morning to her school in Franklin, where she is teaching.

Marshall L. Wood left on Monday evening for Wilton, N. H., on business connected with the Lane Manufacturing Company.

The measles are in style in town at this time, quite a number of residences being posted and additional cards are appearing daily.

A stated communication of Aurora lodge of Masons will be held this evening, at the district deputy and other grand officers will attend.

G. M. Goss has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late G. H. Guernsey and M. E. Stille and C. H. Heaton are the commissioners.

About forty members of the J. O. U. A. M. attended Trinity church in a body Sunday morning to listen to the annual sermon by Rev. Mr. O. J. Stille.

The quarterly meeting of the Ladies' Library League will be held in the trustees' room of the library on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The 6:20 p. m. Central Vermont, south bound train was delayed on Friday evening by the ditching of six cars of a way freight near Williston.

At the special convocation of Mt. Zion Community, Friday evening, the order of the Red Cross was conferred upon three candidates from Northfield.

Miss Lona Skinner expects to leave this city on Thursday for Los Angeles, Cal., where her mother resides. Her many friends wish her a happy voyage.

Mrs. Eliza F. Fisher was transferred to Mrs. Harriet E. Sullivan for a nominal consideration the lot of land adjoining the Joseph Fisher residence on Liberty street.

Dr. I. H. Fiske and Dr. H. A. Fiske, his son, have gone to Pasadena, Cal., to locate. Mrs. Fiske will remain for a while to close up their home before joining her husband.

Fred L. Laird lately purchased A. C. Blanchard's half interest in the Bruce block on Main street for \$6,000. Mr. Blanchard purchased this property seven months ago for \$5,000.

The dining-room of the Adams hotel was closed to the public Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Adams will keep the house open for the accommodation of those desiring to rent furnished rooms.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid Association of Heaton Hospital will be held in the trustees' room of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The adjourned meeting of the Young Men's Association auxiliary will be held on Wednesday at three o'clock. Professors Hrzewski and Robie will address the meeting.

M. S. Stone will address the New Hampshire State board of agriculture at its annual meeting to be held at Lancaster Wednesday evening. His subject will be "The Influence of Country Life."

The Gurnet Seal circle will meet next Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the trustees' room of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Magazine reading, "The Rivalry of Nations" and "A Journey in the Orient."

James F. Dewey and Nelson Peck went back to Northfield on Saturday. Mr. W. Taplin, Martin Peck and Harrison Lewis also went back to Dartmouth College and Homer Ferrin to Norwich University.

The Ethan Allen Court of Foresters hold their State board of directors at 44 State street on Wednesday on Wednesday evening, December 5. Dancing 50 cents per couple. Wilder's Celebrated (four) will play.

J. F. Dotch, accompanied by his wife, has returned from visiting his home in Cambridgeport, Mass., and resumed his duties as porter at the Pavilion. Mr. and Mrs. Dotch have taken rooms at 24 Court street.

While William Rivers was driving into the Putney stable Saturday afternoon, snow sliding from the roof of the Dudley block caused the horse to shy, throwing both Mr. Rivers and spraining his right ankle.

J. W. Brook, administrator of the estate of Patrick Slatery, has sold to Margaret Roakes a house and lot on Franklin street for \$800. Also to Joseph and Katherine Jones a house and lot on the same street for \$1500.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Almon entertained a dozen of their friends at a game dinner Saturday evening at their home at 44 State street. The evening was most pleasantly spent, a choice musical program following the dinner.

A choice dinner was sent to the Heaton Hospital on Thanksgiving day. The turkey was generously contributed by a friend and the remainder of the dinner was planned and furnished by the ladies of the committee on delicacies.

Invitations were sent out Monday by Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Bailey for an anniversary hop to be held at the Pavilion, Friday evening, December 14, that date being the first anniversary of their marriage. Wilder's orchestra will furnish music.

It is reported that the Italian ball held on Saturday evening in Union block was not so much of a success as anticipated. The Columbia orchestra of Barre furnished music and there were only a half-dozen lady dancers present as against about fifty of the sterner sex.

The funeral of the late G. H. Guernsey was held from the home at two o'clock on Sunday, Rev. W. A. Davidson, assisted by Rev. W. J. Clones, officiating. The bearers were comraes of the deceased in Battery 1st Artillery, Eleventh Vermont Volunteer Infantry. Burial was in Green Mount Cemetery.

Rev. Joshua Gill of Boston, presiding elder of the New England district of the Evangelical church, is expected here this week. From here he will go to Topham to establish a church. On Dec. 7 will be at East Montpelier to dedicate the new church. He will hold a Holiness convention from Dec. 9 to 10 inclusive at East Montpelier.

The session laws of 1900 are printed and in pamphlet form, containing thirty-two pages after the same style as two years ago. They are being distributed to the legislators and the State's attorneys today. They will be issued to the weekly newspapers on Friday and to the daily papers Saturday to be used as supplements.

The annual session of Mt. Sinai Temple will be held in Armory hall on Friday evening, December 14. The reports of the treasurer and recorder will be given, the annual election of officers and the election of four representatives to the Episcopal Council, which meets at Kansas City, Mo., June 1, 1901, will occur at this time. At the close of the work, the visiting Noble will participate in the usual feast of comraes, talk and other delicacies of the desert. Saloon.

A boy by the name of Adams, residing at 65 Elm street dropped into Wheelock & Dawley's the other day and announced that a shepherd dog had gone him on his street and he wished to get a gun with which to kill it. Mr. Dawley equipped him with a revolver and 17 cartridges. The next day the boy returned the revolver and four cartridges, but was not willing to take the dog, which still remains a mystery.

Hon. Jonathan Ross, chairman, and L. M. Read and H. S. Bingham, members of the State board of railroad commissioners, met at the State House on Monday and this morning for organization and to plan the work of the coming months. A. E. Watson, commissioner, and Charles Batchelder of the old board, with them, met at the State House on Monday morning. E. M. Harvey of this city was chosen clerk of the board. Mr. Harvey will have his office in the commissioners' rooms at the State House.

Henry Irwin has been absent from our midst for some time. The cause of his absence was the fact that a mitimus issued from the city court was out against him. This mitimus was in the hands of Sheriff Tracy, who, hearing that the festive Harry was haunting Wells River and vicinity, sent the papers to an officer there on Monday. After releasing Harry into New Hampshire, the officer captured him. Harry, with the vision before him of engaging in the marble industry during the cold weather at the H. B. Co. of Concord, decided to accept and gained a new measure of liberty by depositing with his captor \$34.07.

W. A. Shaw, observer at the weather bureau, Northfield, makes the following meteorological summary for the month of November: Mean atmospheric pressure, 30.01; highest pressure, 30.68, date, 17th; lowest pressure, 29.28, date, 9th; mean temperature, 35°; highest temperature, 70°, date, 21st; lowest temperature, 17°, date, 17th; greatest daily range of temperature, 29°; date, 17th; least daily range of temperature, 3°; date, 25th; mean temperature for this month for 15 years, 35°. Prevailing direction of wind, south. Total precipitation, 3.99 inches; number of days with .01 inch or more of precipitation, 16; average precipitation for this month for 15 years, 3.28 inches; greatest amount of precipitation in 24 hours, 1.36, on 24th and 25th.

James A. Stack, aged forty-two years, died at his home in St. Albans Monday afternoon after a two weeks illness from typhoid fever. He was born in Middlesex and has been a resident of St. Albans for twenty-eight years. He has been employed as an engineer on the Central Vermont railroad for twenty years and for the last nine has been engineer of the observation engine "St. Lawrence." In this capacity he became well-known in this city, where he was a frequent visitor. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Knights of Columbus. A widow and four children survive him. He was a brother of Miss Julia Stack, Mrs. John Stack and John Stack of this city, the latter being an engineer on the local branch line of the Central Vermont road.

D. D. Berry is a practical joker but he met his Waterloo the other day when he thought he was perpetrating a joke on his friend, C. H. Roakes, while the latter was being shaved in a local barber shop. When Daniel entered the shop, M. Roakes was in one chair and a stranger in another. Daniel, while awaiting his turn, observed a high collar lying on the table and thinking it belonged to Mr. Roakes, inscribed his name across its pure white surface in a large, bold hand, written with a blue pencil. His chagrin can better be imagined than described, when, after directing the attention of the other waiting customers to the joke, he observed that M. Roakes drew his collar from his lapel and adjusted it while the stranger appropriated the marked collar on the table.

Weather bureau statistics for the month of December, covering a period of thirteen years, have just been issued from the Northfield station. These compilations show that the mean or normal temperature was 21°; the warmest month was that of 1897, with an average of 31°; the coldest month was that of 1890, with an average of 9°; the highest temperature was 61° on December 20, 1891; the lowest temperature was 14° on December 14, 1893. The average amount of precipitation for the month was 2.73 inches; average number of days with .01 inch or more of precipitation, 13; the greatest amount of precipitation was 5.88 inches in 1887; the least monthly precipitation was .81 inches in 1896; the greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 2.14 inches on December 28 and 29, 1887; the greatest amount of snow fall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 21 inches on December 28, 1887.

LETTER TO T. R. MERRILL.

Montpelier, Vt.

Dear Sir:—Some think we take a good deal of risk in inviting complaints of a so-called "gripe" to our agents to sell our "gripe" cure.

"If you have any fault to find with this point, either now or in putting it on, or hereafter in the wear, tell your dealer about it. We authorize him to do what is right at our expense."

The following story tells how little the risk is:

J. H. Asher & Co., hardware dealers, Rutland, N. Y., have sold Devon from 76 to now, and have had just one complaint in all this time.

Three sides of a house were perfect; the fourth side was bad and the three were good.

Explanation—It rained the night before the fourth side was painted; and the painters didn't wait for the wood to dry.

What is done in such a case? Whatever the dealer, who sold the paint, considers it fair to do. We leave it to him. He may not do exactly what we would do if we were there, but we are not there. The best we can do is to leave it to him.

Yours truly,
F. W. DAVIS & CO.

ORANGE COUNTY COURT.

Orange County Court began its December term of court on Tuesday, with Hon. John H. Watson as presiding judge and Hon. James R. McLean of Topham and Hon. Charles H. Bigelow of Brookfield, assistant judges; Curtis B. Emery, clerk; David S. Conant of Bradford, State's attorney; Frank I. Whitney, sheriff; Margaret E. Clouston, reporter; and Stephen B. Darling, high bailiff. Upon the law docket are 59 cases besides 12 criminal and 19 divorce cases. Of these 11 are put on the jury list and the court calendar contains 23 cases. There are also 21 cases in chancery. The jury list is as follows: Emma A. Ford vs. E. B. Martin, (assumpsit); Chester M. Hunkins vs. J. E. Dwinell, F. E. Dwinell and A. E. Anderson, (case); Alice L. Bradbury vs. Leo Rosenbaum and others, (Treasurer Q. C.); J. M. Trask vs. McKannon Bros. and Co., (assumpsit); Henry Whitaker vs. R. J. Whitaker, (Treasurer Q. C.); Clement Rolleston vs. B. H. Adams Jr., (replevin); Oscar D. Johnson vs. Bishop Bros. et al., (assumpsit); A. J. Foster, et al. vs. E. S. King, (appeal from County); G. L. Martin, et al. vs. Chas. W. Hayward, et al., (assumpsit); Edward J. Cook, by next friend, vs. Eugene R. Darling, et al., (assumpsit); but of this number not more than four will be tried and two criminal cases are also expected to be tried. The following is the list of petit jurors drawn: Bradford, William E. Norcross, Carl J. Slack; Brainerd, Clarence M. Egan, George C. Flint; Brookfield, Hayden M. Gaylord, Anson B. Perry; Chelsea, Alva W. Whitney, Edward O. Mattson; Corinth, John C. Hastings, Charles H. Metcalf; Fairlee, John C. Robinson, S. B. Darling; Washington, Edwin K. Houghton, Charles H. McAllister; West Fairlee, John N. Kimball, Roy Southworth; Willamstown, Clayton H. Martin, Herbert N. Farham.

Owing to the recent death of Judge Thompson and the comparatively short service of Judge Watson, he appears here as judge within two years after his last attendance as attorney of the Orange County bar, viz., at the December term, 1898. It happens, however, that two important cases, which in the past have been argued at the depot platform at Thetford station and the latter as to conduct of employee in allowing caboose of freight train to stand in this dangerous place in the hands of a qualified, Roswell Farnham vs. Boston & Maine railroad and H. M. Dufur vs. Boston & Maine railroad, are not set for trial, each being an action on the case for alleged negligence; the former as to the condition of the depot platform at Thetford station and the latter as to conduct of employee in allowing caboose of freight train to stand in this dangerous place in the hands of a qualified, Roswell Farnham vs. Boston & Maine railroad and H. M. 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